IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Confirmation No.: 4661

DANILO PORRO Group Art Unit: 1636
MICHAEL SAUER

Examiner: Michele K. Joike

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 28, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2008, for which the three-month date for response is February 28, 2009.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2027.594096RE.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. An amendment to the specification begins on page 2, amendments to the claims begin on page 4, and the remarks begin on page 7.